



Board Report for Curriculum & Instruction

November 9, 2020

Incorporate the Portrait of a Graduate across all learning environments to develop globally competitive graduates.

➤ **Extended Continuity of Learning Plan**

- As part of our required Extended Continuity of Learning plan, NWEA was given as our benchmark assessment for Reading and Math in Kindergarten-8th grade. Though used as our benchmark assessment this year, NWEA assessments in reading and math have traditionally been given by the district throughout the year to monitor student progress and guide instruction. While the context of remote testing need to be considered, initial aggregate data shows Fall mean scores for reading and math at similar levels to previous years. Individual student data will be used along with classroom observations and assessments to guide instruction moving forward.

➤ **Curriculum Review**

- The District Social-Emotional Health & Wellness curriculum review team and District Crisis Team met together to review what supports are in place this year, what gaps are seen, and next steps for this year and beyond. This cross-district group shared ideas that could be expanded beyond individual buildings and discussed ways to build off of work done this year to frame district-wide work in the future. Though the previously planned curriculum-work has shifted a bit this year, our foci on resilience, empathy, and health are relevant and being addressed in the current context.

➤ **Professional Development**

- Flex PD #2 – The next Flex PD is being offered November 12th from 3:30-7. Staff has two options for this session: Enhancing Hybrid Instruction or Creating an Environment of Belonging. Both sessions address topics that are tied to larger district initiatives and reflect current teacher needs. Over half of staff attended Flex PD in August, and there will be one more date offered in January.

Nurture open communication and constructive partnerships within the school district and with surrounding communities.

- The county-wide Responsive Teaching Coalition rolled out additional options this month for teachers, leaders, and youth. This county-wide work will continue throughout the year with monthly learning opportunities for teachers, administrators and youth leaders.

Respectfully Submitted,
Heather Conklin